

GETTING ON A WAR FOOTING

Forts and Batteries Manned.

THE NATION ROUSED

A Big Cruiser to Watch the Viscaya.

TWO MONITORS READY

Rumored Discoveries on the Wreck of the Maine Leave a Profound Impression of Treachery—Proposed Alliance of Spanish American Republics Against the United States.

to go to Mobile, Ala., where carriages from New York have been sent to mount the rifles on. The big guns will go all the way by rail. It was learned today that the orders received some time ago from the department at Washington bearing on the equipment and efficiency of the men are being carried out at the navy yard, and that every marine remaining there has been inspected, his equipment increased to that of active service and an extra drill is being held daily.

ARTICLES OF WAR READ. FORT LEAVENWORTH, Kan., February 19.—In accordance with orders received from Washington, the troops of the garrison here were inspected today in heavy marching order, and, it is stated, the articles of war were read. The heavy marching inspection is unusual for this time of the year. It is remembered that a similar inspection was ordered just prior to the moving of the troops to Chicago during the great railroad strike.

JUNCTION CITY, Kan., February 19.—The fact that the troops at Fort Riley were busy all day yesterday preparing their equipments and packing personal effects and that all furloughs to officers and men are refused, pending further orders, has given rise to the report that orders have been received to be in readiness to move on short notice.

THE LATEST MOVE.

Spanish America to Fight the United States.

LONDON, February 19.—There is a curious discussion in the Spanish press as to the possibility of confederating the Latin republics of South America with Spain against the United States. El Pais contends that the Spanish republics are weak through isolation, and if united in a military and diplomatic alliance they will be the most powerful in the world. It is claimed that the republics would have sufficient power to insure respect.

The papers point out that the jealousy of the republics prevent them from taking the initiative, but Spain, it is claimed, ought to urge the Latin republics to approach the Republic in the view of countering for the defense of Latin interests, "endangered by the intrusion of the Anglo-Saxons." El Pais thinks Spain's advice ought not to be discarded if she warned Latin America against the United States, adding: "For it is well known that the greedy Yankees, once the Panama canal is opened to the world's commerce, will do all which their peridy can engender to wrest it from the Latin countries of Central America, even as England seized the Suez canal. Tending in this direction is the desire of the American republics to enclose Cuba." In conclusion El Pais says: "The advances of the United States in the sea of the Antilles are only preliminary steps in the blockade and occupation of the future canal."

FRANCE AND SPAIN. Referring to Latin alliances the Spectator, in a long article, points out that there is no doubt of the existence of special relations between France and Spain, which have lately been strengthened, and says: "There are well informed people who believe that when in the autumn the United States and Spain almost collided the United States found there was a stiffness in the Spanish attitude which could only be accounted for by the fact that Spain knew she could appeal to a power which could not neglect her demands for help."

The Review expresses the belief that France allowed the United States to understand indirectly that considerations of importance to her would not allow her to see Spain treated in an unfriendly manner, and that a Spanish appeal to France must result in the latter's intervention.

The Review believes this accounts for "the way the United States shrunk from putting in practice the treatment of Spain suggested in the original projects of the Washington government."

The Spectator says that if France had not helped Spain the latter would have applied for admission to the United States, with almost certainty of success. CHESHAM AT FACTS.

New York, February 19.—A copyrighted cablegram to the Evening World from Sylvester Seoval, under today's date from Havana, via Key West, says: "Of course, of opinion of opinion of opinion who have studied the wreck closely is now that the explosion was caused by a submarine mine. The forward magazine, it is now generally supposed, is intact, also the forward 6-inch magazines."

"This leaves only a few saluting charges and a few small caliber shells in the night house which could have possibly exploded aboard the ship."

"At the same time the fearful damage is too big for any but an extremely large torpedo. If it was a torpedo the divers will find the torpedo fragments, but if it was a submarine mine no trace will be found."

"All the American officers were internally boiling. There is not one of them, from Captain Sigbee down, who is not fairly convinced a government submarine mine did it."

seen that the Brooklyn is the larger vessel and equally formidable in armament, but less heavily armored.

The Viscaya is a first-class cruiser of 7000 tons, 364 feet long, 65 feet beam, 13,000 horse power, speed 20 knots; carries two 11 inch guns mounted singly in barbette turrets, fore and aft; five 8 1/2 inch guns on each broadside. Armor 12 inches thick.

The Brooklyn is an armored cruiser of 5271 tons; 400 feet long; 64.8 feet beam; 10,000 horsepower; speed 20 knots; carries eight 8-inch and twelve 6-inch rapid fire guns; twelve 6-pounder rapid fire guns; four 1-pounder rapid fire guns; four gatling and five torpedo tubes; armor three inches on belt, five inches on turrets and eight inches on barbettes.

TO BE RAISED.

The Maine May Yet Again Fly the Flag.

WASHINGTON, February 19.—The interesting feature of the day's news at the navy department was the decision of the government to allow concurrent investigations of the Maine disaster, for its own part making an independent inquiry through the naval court of inquiry already appointed, while permitting the Spanish authorities to make such investigation as they desire.

This arrangement commended itself to naval men alike as fair to all, and at the same time as calculated to develop the exact facts in a manner that could not be questioned. There was a good deal of talk among the officials of the need of speedy relief measures for the benefit of the families of the explosion victims. Under the treasury rules the allotments of portions of pay to members of their families made by the men who perished in the wreck must stop at once.

It is not doubted that congress will do as it did in the case of the Samsan disaster, provide for a year's pay to the families of the sailors who died at their posts. The difficulty, however, is that such a measure cannot be passed at once, and meantime some of the families of the dead sailors may be in great distress.

The subject has been taken up by Mr. Lusk and he has called a meeting for Monday to initiate the movement.

A FORTUNATE SAVING.

It happens that by the rare chance of an unexpected change of Paymasters recently very little of the savings of the Maine's sailors went down in the vessel. About two weeks ago the Paymaster of the Maine was relieved by Paymaster Key. The former came to Washington and has settled the accounts of the ship up to the time he left. The record shows that Paymaster Key had on hand in his safe only about \$300 in cash, probably gold, and a check for \$600, which, of course, is safe enough without his endorsement against loss.

Since the spontaneous combustion theory has come so prominently to the front, as accounting for the disaster, the officials have been looking over the records to find a parallel case as near as may be. The flagship New York was destroyed on March 3, 1895, by a spontaneous combustion of her main magazine. This was cleared of powder immediately and it was found that the woodwork had been charred deeply. The cause was not at first perceptible, but it was soon discovered that an adjoining coal bunker was burning.

When the bunkers opened the coal on top was not hot, but as the men dug down it was found to be red hot inside. There was no manifestation of heat on top of the bunker, nor on any save the one next the magazine.

This started the naval officials and the constructors made a considerable search for the bunkers and the magazine. In the designing of this new battleship now on the stocks the lesson was kept in mind and everything possible was done to insulate the coal bunkers from the magazines.

Secretary Long has given orders that with the expiration of this day there must be observed in a longer the order to all ships and commands to display the national colors at half mast.

TO RAISE THE WRECK.

There is no abatement of the talk of the expediency of raising the Maine. Chief Constructor Nicholson is one of the most ardent advocates of the resurrection of the ship. He points out that the ship lies in a land-locked harbor, easy for the wreckers to operate in, and that it can be rebuilt at a cost of \$1,000,000 the government will save \$4,000,000 the fleet cost of such a battleship, with all of her equipment.

Great Britain, he said, never abandoned a ship if there was the least chance to save her, and has not yet even abandoned the hope of raising the ill-fated Victoria sunk in a harbor with the same number of the coast of Syria several years ago. Commander Francis Dickson, the chief of the bureau of navigation, and Secretary Long's right hand man in the present emergency, said:

"The Maine must be taken to an American port if there is a chance of her bones holding together to warrant removal, and in all likelihood that will be done. If the explosion was more disastrous than is now thought to be the case—if the hull is so wrecked as to be beyond repair, then as much of the material as can be salvaged will be brought home and placed in a new Maine."

quiet harbor, one end resting in the mud and part of the other end above water.

"The Maine lies in a shallow spot, as protected as a mill pond and she is only a 6000 ton ship. The British armor clad Howe of over 10,000 tons was raised off Ferrol, Spain, in the open ocean and the H. M. S. Sultan of over 9000 tons was raised and saved after she sank in the Cantabrian channel."

Orders have been issued for the shipment of 300 men in the navy to fill the vacancies caused by the destruction of the battleship Maine and to complete the loyal quota.

The new men will be sent to receive ships, whence they will be sent to ships in commission wherever needed. Commander-in-Chief Street of the Union Veterans union has offered to the President the services of 10,000 men of the union for the defense of the country. They could be ready for active service in eighteen hours.

SUTRO'S MILLIONS.

An Approximate Estimate of Poor Adolph's Estate.

SAN FRANCISCO, February 19.—An approximate estimate of the value of the estate of Adolph Sutro, who was declared to be of unsound mind and incompetent of managing his affairs two weeks ago by Superior Judge Belcher, gives its value as in the neighborhood of \$5,000,000. It is believed that it is, anything, worth a little over this amount. The regular appraisement has not been made yet. The land holdings represent about one-eighth of the city of San Francisco and are worth about \$2,500,000. The Sutro library is placed at about \$250,000 and personal belongings are placed at as much more.

A Railroad Sold.

WALLA WALLA, February 19.—Rumors of the sale of the Washington and Columbia railroad to the Northern Pacific were heard today. The board of directors of the Washington and Columbia river railroad, have been in session here since Wednesday, and at the close of this morning President W. D. Tyler and Secretary A. E. Burford tendered their resignations, which were accepted. It has been common talk among railroad men and others in a position to know for several weeks that the Northern Pacific had been negotiating with J. B. Wright of Philadelphia, the principal stockholder of the Washington and Columbia river railroad, for the purchase of the road, and now it is asserted that the deal has been consummated.

A Teller's Heavy Haul.

WILMINGTON, Del., February 19.—William N. Boggs, the defaulting teller of the First National Bank of Dover, Del., was arrested today in this city. Boggs is said to have made away with over \$200,000. Four prominent men of Kent county were also arrested today, charged with aiding Boggs in the stealing. Their names are B. T. Cope, ex-Sheriff Amos Cole, Thomas G. Clark and Charles L. Butler.

Rest at Last.

New York, February 19.—William J. Scanlon, the singer and Irish character actor, died last night of pneumonia in Bloomingdale asylum for the insane, aged 42 years. He had been an inmate of the asylum for six years and had been cared for by his wife, Maggie Jordan.

Molina to Hang.

BAKERSFIELD, February 19.—Superior Judge Mahon today sentenced Yashil Molina to be hanged at San Quentin April 26th, for the killing of Amelano Ramon, early on the morning of December 24, last.

Modest, but Not Lonesome.

From the Los Angeles Times.

Modest little Fresno chirps from its homelike corner of the globe the following protest against the overweening ambition of the south. According to the Sacramento: "Los Angeles proposes to have the various political conventions held in that city this year. For the information of the southern convention promoters we will state that the Populist convention is already scheduled for Fresno, the Prohibitionists are displaying a friendly interest in our incompromisable system of union, water, and both the Republican and Democratic are liable to compromise on Fresno, in order to prevent a declaration of hostilities between the North and the South. Fresno is destined to become the convention city of California, and the places that have heretofore monopolized these warm functions might as well begin to get used to the idea."

How Visalians Are Thrilled.

From the Visalia Bulletin.

The lady and gentleman who frequently take a buggy ride on the road leading northeast from Visalia may not be aware of it, but the neighbors are all talking about them. While on the road in broad daylight they hang and kiss each other with an abandon that is startling. The scene last Saturday afternoon is said to have been unusually thrilling.

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Local sentiment is in favor of war, but what this valley really needs is another good rain.

One of the questions of the times is whether this is a government of the people or of the yellow newspapers.

The same of impudence was reached when the yellow papers proposed to take charge of the investigation of the wrecked warship.

Some one has made a proposition that the state printing be done in San Quentin prison. "Mimeograph Jim" ought to be an enthusiastic supporter of such a scheme.

A couple of Stocktonians are languishing in jail because they blew up a few hundred carp with dynamite. This rank injustice is due to the fact that the law fails to discriminate between carp and real fish.

A contemporary says that Hottou is getting to be a hotbed of evil. The hub is evidently turning that way. A new item states that the inhabitants now appear their baked beans from a silver plate with a silver fork.

The fear of the Spaniards that the American divers who are to investigate the wreck of the Maine might report in variance with the actual facts will strike the average person as suspicious. It is not exactly complimentary either.

It would probably be just as well for the newspapers which are running things to defer a declaration of war until it has been determined whether our battleship was destroyed by an unfortunate accident or a Spanish torpedo.

Mr. Zola's next novel will be looked forward to with more than ordinary interest. He will not have to draw on his imagination for a beautiful plot, and can be trusted to put all the embellishments upon it that the most exacting may require.

Nor one intelligent, honest argument can be advanced in favor of calling a special election to vote bonds for park improvement. The proposition will be practically without support, and the money spent in holding the election wasted.

To hold a special bond election at this time is equivalent to throwing the money away that it costs to hold it. If the Trustees have any regard for the wishes of the public they will spend the money where it will do some good—in sprinkling the streets, for instance.

The infamy of yellow journalism was never more apparent than at the present time, but fortunately for all concerned the result of its infernal methods is reduced to a minimum by the fact the public has learned to place so little credence in alleged news that it is practically without influence.

The wonder is that there is not more sickness in Fresno at the present time. The debris of the gutters has been scraped into the middle of the streets and fill the air with dense clouds of vile dust every evening. Failure to keep the streets sprinkled at such time is nothing less than criminal neglect.

The Sacramento Bee says that Chief of Police Dwyer has succeeded in closing the poolrooms in that city. The Republic congratulates the Capital City upon the possession of such an energetic chief of police and advises Margal Way to correspond with Chief Dwyer for the purpose of finding out how it was done.

The Examiner denounces the Populists who object to fusion and in doing so it virtually denounces the whole party, for the great majority of Populists are opposed to aiding any more in furthering the political ambition of a one-sided man. The few Populists who will vote with the Democrats next fall will be "lost in the shuffle."

The San Francisco papers devote a good deal of their space to telling how they stoop one another. The Republic scores its contemporary day after day—in fact, the evening paper is little but a rebuke of the Republican, yet we never think of boasting about it. The public may be depended upon to take notice of such matters without having its attention directed to them.

Whether the destruction of the Maine was caused by accident or by design, the manner in which the surviving officers and members of the crew conducted themselves as the ship was sinking will forever be a source of pride to Americans. Captain Sigbee and his men upheld the best traditions of the American navy. They are an honor to the country.

No American has a right to entertain the superstition that 13 is an unlucky number, and the Modesto News tells the reason why: "Thirteen cannot be an unlucky number, when it was 13 colonies that won the American revolution and founded this republic and transmitted to us the glorious flag of the Union with its 13 beautiful stripes, which shall float, it is to be hoped, while the world stands."

The proposition of the Spanish press that divers of a third nation arbitrate in the event of a disagreement between the American and Spanish divers is both absurd and impudent. In the first place the American divers will make an independent investigation; there will be no joint investigation, though Spanish divers may accompany the American. In the second place, even if the Spanish divers arrive at a conclusion different from that of the Americans, this government will give consideration to the facts ascertained by the latter alone. The destruction of the Maine concerns the United States only and it will leave its future policy with regard to Spain on the report of its own divers. This is not a question for arbitration.

Here is some bound sense from the Oakland Inquirer:
The Cuban war, growing out of the destruction of the battleship Maine, is being overdone. For a day or two it was a great and genuine sensation. But all of the real news which has accumulated up to date has been exhausted, and though it is easy for the big papers to continue printing four or five pages a day of feverish stuff which they call news, it is not the real article. There is a difference between a genuine sensation and a bogus one.

When a host of inquiry gets to work there may be some more real news developed, but even that is likely to be held in confidence by the government. At any rate, until that time all the genuine news relating to the Maine accumulating from day to day can be printed in a column or two.

The people are entitled to the facts regarding a matter of such vital importance to the nation, as nearly as it is possible to obtain them, but in the metropolitan papers, with but few notable exceptions, they have been given at least three columns of fake to every one of fact. No rumor has been too improbable or its source too obscure to be exploited to the limit of absurdity. For the past two or three days there has been, indeed, nearly as much space required in legitimate newspapers to contradict the wild and woolly reports of the yellow press as was found necessary to give all the actual news.

In the South-of-the-Texas chapter of this district another congressional candidate for the Republican nomination has appeared in the person of F. W. Richardson, editor of the San Bernardino Times-Journal. Mr. Richardson is said to be good timber, and as the summer girl remarked when she scored her sixteenth engagement for the season, "the more the merrier." In the meantime the fact should not be overlooked that this end of the district will be heard from when the convention meets.

It will soon be time for the Republican organization of the county to prepare for the approaching campaign. The Democrats have already taken action and are evidently determined to make a strong fight. If the Republicans display their usual spirit there is no doubt of the party's scoring a complete success next November. They have every advantage and all that is needed is the usual enthusiasm, which, we doubt not, will be forthcoming at the proper time.

George S. Whetley of the Stockton Mail arrived in Fresno yesterday and will return this afternoon.

The Call is enterprise itself in the matter of running special trains, but the edition which arrived here yesterday forenoon brought no actual news of importance to readers of the Republican that they had not read several hours previously in this paper.

over the time comes to pay the premium, and all I know about alcohol and its consumption except that latter says the W.O.T.U. is a meddler in concerns and should not be permitted to violate the Constitution.

PAINTING VEHICLES.

An Old Art Brought to Perfection in Fresno.
At this time of the year owners of buggies, wagons and other vehicles naturally think of repainting and repainting them. This may seem a simple matter. It is, in fact, an old art, the character of ancient Rome were thoroughly decorated and many of the royal coaches of medieval Europe were miraculously embellished.

But it remained for a citizen of Fresno, Mr. J. B. Harrington, of 748 and 750 J street, to bring the art up to what may be called perfection.
The buggies and other vehicles of Fresno look vastly better than those that may be seen elsewhere, for the reason that Fresno's artist painter, J. B. Harrington, leads the state in his line of business. And yet Mr. Harrington's prices are not high. Unlike some experts in other lines, who have reaped the top in their profession, Mr. Harrington does not ask an extra price for his services. On the contrary his prices are the lowest considering the quality of material used and workmanship, in the state.

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A MANY PAGED VOLUME

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Redick Bros., the bustling Mariposa street merchants, have always a large space in the Republic in which to advertise their goods and prices. Their space varies from a quarter page to a full page and the matter contained in their advertisements is at all times very interesting. It gives the people of central California the latest information as to good goods and low prices.
But, large as is the space regularly used by this house, there is room in it for but comparatively few of the important things that Redick has to communicate to the purchasing public. There is a new suit of clothes and a new and low price connected with each and every item in all the departments of their Mariposa street store. It would take a large and many paged volume to catalogue all of Redicks' bargains. They may be seen, however, on any day in the week at their store, and the public is cordially invited to call and inspect them.

A Snap.

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BETRAYED BY FLAPJACKS.

A Walter Who Can Tell a Man's Occupation by the Way He Eats.

There is a waiter in a Dearborn street restaurant who has discovered the art of reading a man's occupation by his manner of eating. He can look into the corners of a customer engaged in devouring a "ham and" and determine with wonderful accuracy whether the man is a seissors grinder or a State street merchant.
Of course one must be a close observer to do all this, and it isn't everybody that is admitted a lunch counter for a job of this kind. Yet if the student will limit himself to opportunities while waiting at the mahogany board he will find that when the business man is at the table some habit acquired in the daily pursuit of his profession will be sure to show itself.

For an instance, the banker may come and order what he wishes. If he does, the waiter declares he will invariably dip his fingers in the water and run over the cakes to see if there is a salt crust.

The gambler will look around to see if any one is watching him and then put a slice of bread. If he orders flapjacks, he will be sure to slip them one by one from the bottom as he eats them. The clothing salesman will hold his flapjacks up to the light and feel the texture, while the lawyer will notice that the law books are on the table, and will look at them after he has finished eating and then listen after which he will lift off the covers with the point of his knife and examine the books.

Having an interview the other day the waiter stated that he called his new profession "waitery."
"I have not mastered my science yet," said he, "and seldom a day passes but that I learn some new point. Oh, it's a great study, and I think in time it will take its place along with pathology and pharmacology and other kindred sciences."

"Have you ever made a mistake in judging a man's occupation?"
"Only once, and that could hardly be called a mistake, for I made no decision as to the man's business. I confess I was wrong. The fellow came in and ordered his dinner. Of course I presented him a glass of water. He looked at it with some surprise and said, 'I didn't order that.'"
"It costs you nothing," says I, "and you don't need to drink it unless you want to."
"He thanked me, and what do you think he broke his bread into it and then ate it with a spoon. I didn't know what to make of it, and for the life of me I couldn't determine what his business was. When he was leaving, I tipped him on the shoulder and asked him what he did for a living."
"Why," says he, "I'm a milkman."

AN OLD GOVERNMENT DIE.

Used by a Lawyer as a Paperweight Ten Years.

In the course of a lecture at the Y. M. C. A. library A. E. Overbridge, Jr., related an interesting incident that serves to show how much more careful Judge Sam is in the destruction of old things for sale than he used to be. "One time," said Mr. Overbridge, "I was visiting the office of a friend who is a lawyer. When I noticed upon his desk a little metal object, covered with holes and four corners of not paper, which was apparently in use as a paperweight. It was a government die for a silver dollar of 1899, and for my friend to have it in his possession was a peculiar offense. He did not know what it was until I told him, and he informed me that it had been around the office as a paperweight as long as he could remember—10 years.

at least. I gave him a better weight in its place and informed the authorities at Washington of the circumstance, also forwarding my friend's affidavit as to what he knew about it.

"At that time, though all dies were supposed to be destroyed when discarded, the system was rather lax, and they sometimes found their way into the possession of junk dealers. I urged to turn over the die upon condition that it would not be destroyed, but kept in the systematic collection at the Philadelphia mint, and that I might borrow it at a future time to illustrate a lecture. The conditions were agreed to, and I have brought the die with me tonight to show to you. I had to write a very formal letter to get it, stating the purpose for which it was to be used, and it must be returned tomorrow morning."

Melting Metals.

A note concerning the peculiar phenomenon noticed in the melting of metals when under extended pressure has recently been published by J. L. Ditchel of Washington. When a metal is heated in a mortar of oblongally pure aluminum oxide, thoroughly dried and then subjected to the necessary heat, a considerable retardation in melting is noticed. For instance, a rod of silver, which should melt at 1,820 degrees F., when thus treated will not change its form and melt together until 5,730 degrees F. Palladium, which should melt at 2,740 degrees F., shows no sign of yielding at 2,800 degrees F. It would seem that these rods of metal, unable to expand while in the powerful grip of the aluminum oxide, which contracts on heating, simply cannot melt as they would under normal conditions.

Boggs' Secret of Success.

There was once a man out west of the name of Boggs, and everything went his way. He was as fortunate as to be the object of much curiosity and comment among his associates and acquaintances, who asked him how he played his game. Mr. Boggs replied that he worked on a theory that was left him as a legacy by his father, who was one of the most successful men he had ever known. He divided his property among the other children, and to his oldest son, John Boggs, he left the family life as a token of his love and confidence and added, that "within his pages you will find the secret of my success in life."

Boggs was a good deal put out, but he had a philosophical temperament, and nobly discovered his chagrin and his feeling of envy toward his brothers and sisters, who divided the real and personal property. The next Sunday, having nothing better to do, he took down the Holy Word from the shelf and, turning over its pages, discovered a sealed envelope which bore his name written in the well known hand of his father. Tearing it open, he found a short but significant sentence upon a sheet of paper. In telling his story Boggs said that he had faithfully followed his father's dying injunction, and the theory which the old man had practiced so successfully had been equally valuable to himself.

Then, of course, everybody sprang up and inquired what was written on that piece of paper.

"Only this," said Boggs: "Lots of good things are lost by not asking for them."—Chicago Herald.

To "Pry."

"Pry" is not uncommonly used in this sense in the west and southwest of England. It is a kind of term of praise, to force open by means of a lever. You may "pry up" a nailed box lid with a chisel, "pry up" a fastened door with a crowbar, etc. Another American instance may be found in "Farm Life in New York," Scribner's Magazine, volume 17, No. 1, where a barn which must be moved was "pryed up" by levers and jacks to enable a sled on runners to be placed under it.

Just as New Englanders will sigh without exception, if not the people of the United States generally, speak and write of "prying open a box" and "prying up a stone," so in this part of East Anglia do all but persons of considerable education. None of the glossaries of our local dialect that are accessible to me records the use of "pry" instanced above, but it is given in several English dictionaries, among them being Stormonth's, as if it were a common corruption.

Jameson's Scottish Dictionary has the word "Prye, pry, a, a lever, S. R. pry, to force; Latin, press, pressare." Stormonth (1871) has "Pry, v. (probably Scot.), to raise by a lever," etc. The Mayflower carried off many old words now obsolete.—Notes and Queries.

The Treating Habit.

It was Pope Telesphorus, who died before the year 150 A. D., who instituted Christmas as a festival, though for some time it was irregularly held in December, April and May. But for centuries before there had been a feast of Yule among the northern nations, whose great enjoyment was in drinking the wasail bowl of ale. Drinking gave them so much delight as indulgence in "carousing ale," especially at the season of short days, when fighting was unadvised.
It was likewise the custom at all the feasts "for the master of the house to fill a large bowl or pitcher, to drink out of it first himself and then give to him that sat next, and so it went around." This may have been the origin of that popular American custom known as "treating." It is certain that upon our Christian observance of this glorious day have been tinged habits taken from rude and barbarous people.—St. Louis Republic.

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"GENUINE"
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We inaugurate our new system with a great introductory sale of Wash Fabrics direct from the looms of Europe and America.

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Several new lines have been added to those already advertised. New goods for Spring and Summer wear are daily arriving, all of which we offer at prices hitherto unknown in the dry goods trade of America.

CASH BUYERS, THIS IS THE OPPORTUNITY OF A LIFETIME.

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| 20 yards Figured Dignity for \$1. | 30 yards Fine Lawn for \$1. |
| 10 yards Cuckoo Imprint, a nice fabric for shirt waists and dresses, for \$1. | 20 yards Dress Gingham for \$1. |
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| 12 yards Moleen Dignity for \$1. | |
| 12 yards Ruche Stripes and Figures for \$1. | |
| 12 yards Cordoned Dignity for \$1. | |
| 10 yards Alsatian Dignity for \$1. | |
| 10 yards Caracaz d'Orignie for \$1. | |
| 8 yards Organdie Imperial for \$1. | |
| Large assortment Ruche Vestale, 15c a yard. | |
| Full line San Remo Organdie, 20c a yard. | |
| Full range Organdie Valence, 20c a yard. | |
| Magnificent line Imperial Swiss Mull, 20c a yard. | |
| 10 yards Costume Cloth for \$1. | |
| Just opened huge assortment India Linen, Victoria Lawn, checked and striped Nainsook, plain and dotted Swiss Mulls, etc. | |
| 20 yards check Nainsook for \$1.50 | |

See our five show windows for the Largest Display of Wash Fabrics on the Pacific Coast.

We respectfully invite all cash buyers to call and examine the largest and most select stock of Wash Dress Materials ever shown on this coast at prices which cannot be duplicated west of New York.

Goods shown freely whether purchasing or not. Store opens 7 a. m., closes 8:30 p. m., Saturday evening 10 p. m.

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MARIPOSA AND J STREETS.

Notice to Creditors.
In the Superior court of the County of Fresno, State of California.
In the matter of James A. Roberts, an insolvent debtor.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL THE creditors who have proved their claims against the above named insolvent to appear before the said court, at the court room of Department No. 1 thereof, on the 28th day of March, 1898, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., and show cause if any they have why the said James A. Roberts, insolvent, should not be discharged from all his debts in accordance with the statutes in such cases made and provided.
Dated January 25th, 1898.
T. G. Hart, Clerk.

Notice to Creditors.
In the Superior court of the County of Fresno, State of California.
In the matter of W. F. Hancock, an insolvent debtor.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL THE creditors who have proved their claims against the above named insolvent to appear before the said court, at the court room of Department No. 1 thereof, on the 28th day of January, 1898, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., and show cause if any they have why the said W. F. Hancock, insolvent, should not be discharged from all his debts in accordance with the statutes in such cases made and provided.
Dated December 15th, 1897.
T. G. Hart, Clerk.

Foreclosure Sale.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT ON the 28th day of January, 1898, at 12 o'clock a. m. of that day, at the front door of the court house, in the City of Fresno, County of Fresno, State of California, under and by virtue of an order of sale to me directed, as commissioner appointed to sell the foreclosed property, owned by the Superior court of the State of California, in and for said County of Fresno, upon a judgment of said court entered on the 28th day of January, 1898, in a civil action, wherein Emil Kohlschmidt is plaintiff, and Solina S. Wiener, administratrix of estate of A. J. Wiener, deceased, et al., are defendants, I will sell at public auction to the highest bidder, for cash in United States gold coin, the following described piece or parcel of land for so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy said judgment of said court, lying and being in said County of Fresno, State of California, to-wit:

The south half of the southwest quarter of section 28, in township 13 north, range 20 east, M. D. B. and N., according to the United States government survey.

CHAS. H. MILLER, Commissioner.

Grand Hotel.

SANGER, CAL.
Commercial Travelers' Headquarters
A first-class restaurant in connection with hotel where meals are served at all hours, and where you can get the best and cheapest accommodation in this valley. It is all that is necessary.
D. H. LAFFERTY & SON, Proprietors, Sanger, Cal.

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310 Montgomery Street, San Francisco, deals in all kinds of newspaper information, business, personal and political.

RADIN & KAMP—WHITE FRONT STORES.

Spring Novelties

Cotton :: Dress :: Textiles

Have just arrived, and a visit to our stores will give you a correct idea of the Spring and Summer styles for '08. We cannot adequately express ourselves as to the singular beauty and attractiveness of this season's display. Suffice it to state that all fabrics have been carefully considered and the FINEST products of the leading manufacturers on both hemispheres called into requisition in providing for our patrons the rarest and most exquisitely dainty assortment of Spring and Summer Dress Goods ever offered to a critical public.

Special Offerings for This Week.

36-INCH BEST FRENCH PERCALES—

In short pieces ranging from 3 to 12 yards each piece, fine goods and beautiful styles, worth 10c yard, this week 10c yard.

36-INCH PUNJAB PERCALES—

We are sole agents in Fresno for this wonderful line of English Percal, the best fabric made, and the colors are fast as a rock. 200 beautiful designs to choose from. This week, 12½c yard.

TAILOR MADE SUITINGS—

Also Fancy Dress Suitings in newest designs and prettiest colorings, a perfect fabric for skirts and walking dresses. This week for 10c yard.

27-INCH TOILE DU NORD—

A splendid French Gingham in elegant designs and the nobbiest colorings. This week 10c yard.

32-INCH FRENCH ZEPHYRS—

A handsome range of assorted beauty in a singularly fine fabric. This week 15c yard.

32-INCH INDIA CASHMERES—

A useful and profitable weave for ladies' wrappers and house dresses, in a lovely assortment of light and dark colorings. This week, 10c yard.

MADRAS CLOTH—

This fabric is par excellence the "cloth of the season," in neat checks and stripes, stylish plaids, Roman stripes, and fancy designs in the most delicate tints. It forms the acme of perfection for ladies' waists. This week, 20c yard.

SCOTCH ZEPHYRS—

The well-known excellence of these genuine fabrics, both as to their washing and wearing qualities, as well as in their general beauty of coloring and design, stamp them as public favorites for spring wear. We have them in elegant fancies at 20c; in Lappet stripes at 25c; in Boucle effects at 35c; in Silk effects at 40c.

CORDUROY—

In black and assorted colors. We carry an elegant line of this useful and beautiful fabric for ladies' waists at 50c.

OUR STOCK

Is now complete in Domestic Organzies, Fine French Organzies, French Grenadines, Drop Stitch Organzies, Dimities, Dimities with Lappet stripes, and the most charming assortment of White Lawns, both plain and fancy, forming a galaxy of novelties never before equaled in Fresno.

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RADIN & KAMP.

1023, 1025, 1027, 1029, 1031 I STREET.

WE HAVE THEM.

Muir and Lovell Peaches.

—ALSO A COMPLETE ASSORTMENT OF—

DECIDUOUS FRUIT AND ORNAMENTAL TREES,

ROSES AND ORNAMENTAL PLANTS

Come and see me when you come to town.

Geo. C. Reeding, Proprietor

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J Street, Opposite Barton Opera House—Retail Department.

H Street, Cor. Tuolumne St.—Wholesale Department.

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THE DRUGGISTS, CORNER MARIPOSA AND K STREETS.

Drugs, Patent Medicines, Toilet Articles, Perfumes. Everything usually carried in a first class Drug Store. Physicians Prescriptions accurately filled.

NOTICE!

We have in stock EXTRAS TO FIT the following PLOWS:

Bissell,

Imperial,

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Telephone 39. 1141 I Street.

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Leading Undertakers.

WHITE HEARSE. BLACK HEARSE.

Distinguished Embalming.

Everything requisite for Funerals.

YUKON TRANSPORTATION AND COMMERCIAL COMPANY

"White Star Line" Steamers.

SAN FRANCISCO TO DAWSON

Via St. Michaels.

The company will dispatch about June 1, 1898, the fast steamer "Humboldt" to connect with their new river steamers "Game Cock" and "Stag Head" at St. Michaels for Dawson City.

For passage and freight apply to the office of the company, Room 315, Safe Deposit Building, San Francisco, or J. A. Hagee, Jr., Agent, 310 Clay St., San Francisco.

REMOVAL NOTICE

Colonel J. G. Anderson has removed his

REAL ESTATE,

NOTARY PUBLIC

AND PRISON OFFICE

To No. 557 J street, opposite Postoffice

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SELMA, CAL.

The leading hotel of the town. Fine large rooms, well furnished. Good table. Reasonable rates. J. GERRING, Proprietor.

THE FRESNO MORNING REPUBLICAN.

United States Department of Agriculture—Weather Bureau.

FRESNO, February 19.—Observations taken at 5 o'clock in the afternoon:

Barometer, dry bulb	30.06
Temperature, dry bulb	50
Temperature, wet bulb	40
Humidity, per cent	60
Wind, NW (miles per hour)	4
Maximum Temperature, for past 24 hours	53
Minimum Temperature, for past 24 hours	37
Total rainfall past 24 hours, inches	.00
Total rainfall for season, inches	3.44

Weather Forecast.
SAN FRANCISCO, February 19.—Official forecast for the next 24 hours, ending at 4 p.m., February 20:—Northern California—Cloudy Sunday; mostly windy.
Southern California—Cloudy Sunday; fresh southerly winds.

The Republican may be had in San Francisco at the Palace Hotel news stand.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

Good table

And seed potatoes

At Holland's.

Only \$3.75

Holland trip to San

Francisco today and

Tomorrow by Southern

Pacific, good for a week, all trains.

Constant seed potatoes at Hammond's.

Wood and coal at Dorsey & Parker's.

Choice hams and bacon at City Market.

World bicyclist, \$35.50—R. G. Barton & Co.

Ripe oranges for sale, \$1 per hundred

at 555 J street.

The military hall on Tuesday evening

will be a great social event.

Now is the time to use gypsum. Buy

it of the Valley Lumber Co.

Republican business office, telephone

main 97. Editorial rooms, main 101.

Wanted—the address of S. P. Merritt,

Jacob Clark, 1905 J street, Fresno, Cal.

"Imperial Fresno" on sale at Quarley's,

Rice's, Smith & Fenton's and the Republican

office.

Just the thing to send to your friends

in the East—"Imperial Fresno," in

leatherette, 75 cents.

Letters of administration were yesterday

granted to Theophina Berry on the

estate of Elias Wildermuth.

The members of Company C are

ordered to appear at Army hall at 1

o'clock on Tuesday, February 24, for

parade.

The Barton Opera House Orchestra

gave its usual Saturday night dance at

Army hall last and the affair was well

attended.

The Miller-Barton Combination Con-

cert Company will give an entertain-

ment at the Ethiopian Baptist Church

next Saturday.

"Imperial Fresno," showing the re-

sources, industries and scenery of Fresno

county, may be had at the Republican

office, 1842 Tulare street. Leatherette

75c, cloth \$1.50.

J. R. Wolfe and William Hoskies,

both farmers, yesterday filed schedules

in bankruptcy. The schedule of the former

amounts to \$1015, while those of the latter

are \$3139.85.

The Valley Road will sell excursion

tickets to San Francisco and return Feb-

ruary 19th, 20th and 21st, good to return

February 20th, for \$3.75, against Fresno

day at Mining Fair.

District Deputy J. M. Collins, accom-

panied by Mr. Bilby and Mr. Hollenbeck,

visited the Raymond A.O.U.W. lodge

last evening and instructed the mem-

bers in the work of the order.

The Tuolumne Mother Lode Company

has closed a contract with the Angelo

Foundry Company for a ten-ton mill to

be erected at the Bell mill. It will

be run by electric power, and will have

a capacity of from 35 to 40 tons a day.

Reduced rates to Klamath—Southern

Pacific up-town office now sells tickets

direct to Upen, Hesperia, etc., via either

San Francisco or over the Shasta route

by way of Seattle at greatly reduced

rates. All arrangements made here.

Dogs free.

Only \$3.75 to San Francisco and re-

turn by Southern Pacific. Tickets on

sale Saturday, Sunday and Monday,

19th, 20th and 21st inst., good to return

up to Saturday, 20th. Trains leave 5:30

and 11:30 a.m., 12:30 and 11:50 p.m.

(Sunday 12:30 train does not run.) See

Centro Pullman reservations card.

The baseball pins of the Athletic

Club will go to Modera this morning to

play a team of that town. A carryall

will take the players and a few others

out. Quite a number of the bicycle

boys will make the trip on their wheels,

and all who want to take the run are

requested to meet at the clubhouse at 9

RAISIN OUTLOOK

A. Gartenlaub Talks on the Prospects.

What He Learned on His Eastern Trip—The Seeding Plant.

A Gartenlaub of the Fresno Packing Company, who had been in the East to purchase machinery for the large seedling plant which is now in course of construction alongside of their present packing house, returned night before last. He was accompanied by Mrs. Gartenlaub.

The well-known raisin packer stated last night that the new plant to be erected would cost about \$20,000, and would have the largest capacity of any in the world. It will, when in successful operation, produce about six carloads a day. The machinery for the plant alone will cost between \$8000 and \$9000, and Mr. Gartenlaub arranged for the machinery while in the East.

The seeder to be used will be the one invented by Mr. Cox of this city. The seeding plant will be in operation by May 1st and will thus be running in time to handle this season's crop of raisins.

Mr. Gartenlaub visited all the large cities of the Union in the interest of his business, and hence is thoroughly posted in the prospects of the raisin market for next year. What he saw when he considered the prospects were very good for fair prices—not high prices, but fair prices. He remarked that if prices were reasonable there would be a large consumption, but if not the Eastern people would get along without raisins and eat other fruits.

He says the great trouble is that the growers refuse to sell when they are offered a fair price for their raisins—3 and 3½ cents a pound in the sweat boxes—but consign them to the East.

He heard a great deal of complaint about inferior grades of raisins which were shipped from this center, and stated that it injured the industry very much. He is a believer in the systematic grading of raisins.

Mr. Gartenlaub saw a real blizzard while in Boston. It was one of the snows that had visited the Hub for a number of years, and it did considerable damage.

"I have seen a great many fine cities," remarked Mr. Gartenlaub, "but I found nothing like California. California for me every time."

THE MILITARY BALL.

Washington's Birthday to be Celebrated in Style.

The members of Company O, Sixth Infantry Regiment, Third Brigade, N. G. C., are doing their utmost to make their annual ball, next Tuesday evening at Army hall, a notable success. They are decorating the hall in an artistic manner, so because the celebration of Washington's birthday, and the business men of the city are lending them substantial assistance by liberal investments in tickets.

The band, the hospital corps and Companies O and F will parade at 1 o'clock, and the display will be worthy of the rank and file which is saying much for men who stand ready to move to the front at once in case of war.

Music for the occasion will be furnished by the Barton opera house orchestra, and as the military boys are noted for their courteous attentions to their guests all should avail themselves of the opportunity of spending an enjoyable evening.

CAYENNE PEPPER

VERSUS ORIENT PEPPER.

The woods are full of peppers, and I beg to call the attention of the public to the fact that Oscar Pepper is a common name in itself and is used on whisky of inferior brands in many instances in order to mislead the purchasers of this article.

The public is hereby warned to pay no attention to the conglomeration of jingunes which under the cloak of our and including has invaded our homes and destroyed the peace of mind of our citizens—a mixture which would cause old Oscar to rise out of his grave and weep.

Do not deceived dear people by a low Friday and Saturday price under the excuse of heavy importations; but, if you want the genuine one-price Old Oscar Pepper Whisky, I have it direct from the MANUFACTURERS.

M. SANDER.

The people's favorite, Rodeo, 1021 J street.

PERSONAL.

Jeff G. James of San Francisco is in town.

K. W. Brown was up from Selma yesterday.

Miss Nettie Adams was in from Traver yesterday.

James A. Burns of Selma was in town yesterday.

F. H. Mitchell of Selma spent yesterday in Fresno.

Justices John Fairweather was over from Redley yesterday.

Miss Percell came over from Fowler to spend today in this city.

George Keller, the well known singer, has returned to Fresno to remain.

Joseph Borden of Borden, Modera county, was in the city yesterday.

H. E. Zion, principal of the Modera High school, was in town yesterday.

R. B. Butler has gone on a business trip to San Francisco and Woodland.

Jeff Davis of Centerville was in town yesterday and reports the foothill grain as doing well.

H. O. B. Hill has returned from Coarse Gold and reports much activity in the mines of Modera county.

Mrs. H. O. Warner has returned from a visit of several weeks in Berkeley, where she went for the benefit of her health.

S. B. Redlick, of Redlick Brothers, is up from San Francisco. Mr. Redlick has charge of the San Francisco establishment of the firm.

Yellow Journalism Will Race.

It is expected that the fastest time ever made over the Valley road will be made this morning, when a special, bringing the Examiner, will speed over the new road. It is expected to make the run in two hours, which will be a little faster than a mile a minute. The Call will send a special over the Southern Pacific, and yellow journalism will race into Fresno.

DRESS MATERIALS. LOUIS EINSTEIN & CO. GARMENTS.

A GREAT OFFERING

Our Curtain Department.

LACE CURTAINS AND PORTIERES AT A NEW RECORD PRICE.

We have just bought out at a great discount three entire lines of a manufacturer's stock, reliable goods and excellent styles, which we offer this week at the lowest margins ever attempted here.

An immense line of regular size, full finish Lace Curtains, only 45c a pair.

Lot Number 2 of 180 pairs Curtains, extra good, full 3 yards long, splendid patterns, regular \$1 quality, this week only 70c a pair.

Lot Number 3 consists of 75 pairs extra size and heavy Lace Curtains, newest designs and good value at \$1.50 a pair, we offer this week at \$1.05 a pair.

A line of Chenille Portieres, full size with heavy fringe, 20 new shades, only \$2.75 a pair.

A line of Tapestry Portieres, full size, all the late styles, only \$2.75 a pair.

While our assortment is as yet far from complete, we are already showing a good line of

Dress Skirts

ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 25TH

At 50c Each.

100 assorted new medium and dark patterns 5-4 Ghillello Table Covers, regular 75c quality, for this day only 50c each.

ON THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH

At 5c Each.

We offer 500 Antique Oak, three-panel Towel Racks, as shown in one of our windows, at only 5c each.

GENERAL DEPARTMENT STORES.

COAL.

IN TON OR HALF-TON LOTS

WOOD.

12-inch Oak, per cord... \$5 00

14-inch Oak, per cord... 5 00

16-inch Oak, per cord... 5 00

AT YARD, \$4.50.

National Ice and Fuel Co.

KERN AND C STREETS.

TELEPHONE 62.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE.

In the Superior court of the county of Fresno, state of California.

In the matter of J. J. Howland, P. J. Paris and A. J. Roberts, copartners under the firm name of Howland & Paris, and as individuals, insolvent debtors.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN TO ALL THE CREDITORS who have proved their claims against the above named insolvents to appear before the said court, at the court room of Department No. 1 thereof, on the 7th day of February, 1908, at the hour of 2 o'clock p. m., and show cause why they should not be discharged from all their debts, in accordance with the statutes in such cases made and provided.

Dated January 14th, 1908.

By W. B. WILLIAMS, Deputy Clerk.

Madary Planing Mill

M. R. MADARY.

BARKLY BOUGHT, ROLLED & SOLD

Patent Kitchen Tables, \$2.75.

Egg Cases, Complete, 6c.

Headquarters for Window Glass.

See Mar's Specialty.

A GIGANTIC GOLD TRUST

It Is Capitalized at \$200,000,000.

Will "Hydraulic" the Yukon Placers.

No Danger of Starvation in Dawson—A Vigilance Committee in Skaguay.

SKAGWAY, Alaska, (via Seattle), February 19.—James E. Seville of Syracuse, N. Y., arrived here yesterday from Dawson, which place he left on January 10th. Mr. Seville is the contractor for the Yukon telegraph and telephone syndicate, which has recently been incorporated to construct and maintain telegraph and telephone lines in the Klondike region. The first line built will be between Dawson and Klondike City and thereafter a line will be built from Dawson to Skaguay or Dyke. The company is controlled solely by the mine owners of Bonanza and Eldorado creek and the general manager is Alexander McDougal, the "Bonanza King."

Mr. Seville brings an important piece of news which will have a decided bearing on the future output of Klondike gold. It is the formation of a gigantic pool or combine to be known as the Bonanza-Eldorado Company, capitalized at \$200,000,000, which proposes to control mining operations in the Klondike country. Mr. Seville says it will revolutionize the method of mining. Hydraulic power will be expended for the present wasteful and expensive system and the mine will be enabled to work its claim successfully will be given an opportunity to sell it to the trust or the syndicate will work it for him at a rate much cheaper than he could do it himself. The formation of this syndicate, Mr. Seville says, will have the effect of reducing the output next spring quite materially.

Mr. Seville says there will be no danger of starvation in the Klondike this winter or spring, although some may be compelled to put themselves upon rations.

Henry Heinrich of San Francisco arrived here on Sunday from the Big Salmon river, where he has been prospecting all winter. Mr. Heinrich says that on Dry creek, twelve miles below Big Salmon, nuggets were found near the grass roots in considerable quantities.

Hundreds of people are arriving in Skaguay every season. It is estimated that there are about 2000 people centered along the trail between Skaguay and the lake.

Since the shooting of Andrew McGray and Deputy Marshal Rowan by Ed Gray two weeks ago the disorderly element has kept quiet, owing to the fact that a vigilance committee has been formed and the general understanding that the next man who makes a "gun play" will hang.

The steamer Elder arrived Saturday afternoon with the advance guard of the government relief expedition. Today the detachment of 100 men, which was loaded at Dyke, where they will be held until the arrival of Brigadier General Merriam.

SEATTLE, Wash., February 19.—Companies A and G, Fourth United States Infantry, under command of Captain F. F. Eastman, left here this afternoon on the steamer Queen for Skaguay, Alaska, where they will be stationed for the winter. The detachment will be held until the arrival of Brigadier General Merriam.

Companies B and H, of the same regiment, which will be stationed at Dyke for the same purpose, will follow in a few days on the steamer Australia.

The Queen carried from here 300 passengers. This number will be largely increased at Tacoma, where a stop will be made.

SKAGWAY, Alaska, February 14.—It cannot be ascertained here how many passengers were on the steamer Clara Nevada which were lost in Bremer's bay with oil on board. One estimate places the number that embarked here at 35. The wharfinger at the Skaguay dock says the dock did not carry more than eight or ten from this port. Those known to have sailed from here were: A. J. Seaton, formerly of New York city; J. P. Bennick, of Janueta; A. O'Connell, of Janueta; J. W. Miller, of O'Connell Creek, Colo.; A. Norris, of Dyke, and a man named Ross and his wife. It is reported here that the Clara Nevada carried a large amount of dynamite for the Treadwell mine at Douglas island and that the explosion of this caused the disaster.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

The following real estate transfers were recorded yesterday:

Manuel Orozco to Renaldo Alamo, lots 20 and 21 in blk 27 of Fresno, \$10.

Householder to Renaldo Alamo, lots 11 and 12 in blk 27 of Fresno, \$10.

United States to Mary E. Moore, homestead patent to sec 22 of sec 22, T. 11, R. 21, S. 21, and the west 1/4 of sec 22, T. 11, R. 21, S. 21.

A. C. Hirsch, executor of the estate of J. P. Hirsch, 20 lots in blk 21 of sec 22 of sec 22, T. 11, R. 21, S. 21.

John H. Hirsch to same, 20 lots in blk 21 of sec 22 of sec 22, T. 11, R. 21, S. 21.

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THE EARLY SNAKE.

County Surveyor Hoxie Has a Narrow Escape.

The harrowing report comes down from the heights of Little Valley that, while engaged in an upland survey, County Surveyor George Hoxie came near picking up a torpid rattlesnake which was playing the role of the traditional "early snake."

While the star-like galaxy and numerous host of Mr. Hoxie's friends all congratulated him on his happy escape from having his system envenomed by an all too previous reptile on the snow-capped heights of the Sierra Nevada, there is a sneaking notion abroad that this is an exceedingly thin excuse to warrant the absorption of the standard antidote for the nip of the *Crotalus horridus* or any other old zip.

If Hoxie ventures any more snake stories, suspicion may rise to the belief that he may lead to the inevitable conclusion that Surveyor Hoxie has abandoned tripod and transit, and turned naturalist from pure love of the natural results of such adventures.

NEW TRIUMPHS

In Fine Goods and Low Prices at Kautner-Goldstein Co.'s.

The new advertisement of the Kautner-Goldstein Co., which appears on the first page of today's Republican gives evidence of the new triumphs that have been gained by that enterprising and resourceful house. To keep in advance of the world's movements in methods of advertising and marketing goods and to secure the latest and best in all lines, requires brains and executive ability of the highest order. Competition in buying is more keen than competition in selling, for the reason that the best goods are once secured will always sell themselves. And yet, during all the years that they have been in business in Fresno, Kautner-Goldstein Co. have never once failed to keep far in advance of all other dealers in the quality and quantity of goods handled and in the lowness of prices quoted. As a sample of what they can do in the way of bargains, they are advertising a special sale, for information received to which the reader is referred to the first page of this paper.

The Crop Outlook.

Reports on the outlook of the wheat crop and other cereals in this valley are not encouraging outside the limit of the thermal belt along the foothills of the Sierra Nevada, where the rainfall has been more copious than on the plains. However, with a timely and abundant rain in the near future there may yet be an abundant crop harvested in this valley.

AT THE BARTON

"Don Cesar de Bazan"

Tonight.

Edward E. Rice's Great Production, "The Girl From Paris,"

Tomorrow Night.

There was a good audience at the Barton last night and the performance of the Spickett Comedy Company was very satisfactory. Tonight the great play, "Don Cesar de Bazan," will be presented with a strong cast. This will close the Spickett engagement.

"THE GIRL FROM PARIS."

The greatest event of the theatrical season here is presented in the special engagement of "The Girl From Paris," Edward E. Rice's famous production, which will take place tomorrow night at the Barton. The piece is one of those dainty, exquisite entertainments of the comic opera order, with a delightful book by George Daney, author of the "Milk and Honey" and "The Girl From Paris." It is interspersed through this clever combination of comedy and music is a series of magnificent dances, beautiful choruses and effects of the most elaborate description. It is said to surpass any of Mr. Rice's past successes, not excepting the famous "Kismet," "Excelsior" and "The Girl From Paris."

The effectiveness of this superb combination may be fully understood when it is known that, notwithstanding the great financial depression that existed in New York during the past season, the average receipts of "The Girl From Paris" exceeded \$1100 a performance throughout the entire run of 200 nights.

The piece as presented here will be the same as it was at the Herald Square theater, with the same lavish disregard for expense as marked its production there. Every feature will be included in a more elaborate manner, from the curtain rise to its final falling in the last act, and the magnificent effects of its novel ending.

It requires a large company of some forty or fifty people to present the novel production. To interpret the piece Mr. Rice has secured the services of an excellent cast, which contains many people who have heretofore starred in its attractions.

Although the standard prices for this attraction is \$1.50, Manager Barton has made the price of the best seats \$1 for their engagement tomorrow night.

THE FORTUNA COMING.

"They have gone to condemn and come away praising." This is the verdict of every one who sees the performance of the Fortuna. It is a performance which even the most skeptical must admit is a most wonderful. It is one in which surprise and laughter come from first to last, and in which the interest never lags. It consists of hypnotism, mind reading, mental telepathy and psychic force. Prof. Fortuna is said by all who have seen him, to be the peer of all hypnotists and the best mind reader since Bishop. The Los Angeles Times says that Prof. Fortuna is far superior to Prof. Tyndal, both as a hypnotist and as a mind reader, doing both with far more ease, and giving a far better explanation of the methods and the way in which he is able to accomplish his control over the mind.

The Professor desires it understood that he carries no paid subject and will forfeit the entire receipts of the house if any one will prove it to be otherwise. Representative men are invited to come upon the stage at any time during the stay of the Professor in our city and personally investigate.

The Fortuna will begin their engagement at the Barton Opera House Tuesday, February 23rd, and will continue for six nights. Prices 10, 20 and 30 cents.

Spraying.

Phil G. Schell is prepared to do spraying for all plant insects in the direction of Agricultural Commissioner Marshall. Orders may be telephoned, main 140, or left at Pleasanton Hotel or with Marshall & Wilson.

For the finest lunch and glass of beer to the Tivoli.

JOHNSON GRASS.

A Remedy That Destroys This Pest.

Mr. Ericson Gives a Simple Formula That May Be Valuable.

When Prof. W. A. Sanders was convicted of forgery in the celebrated case growing out of the disappearance of William Wootton of Hills Valley, some one expressed a doubt as to his guilt. The presence of a prominent vineyardist, who replied, "Well, he may not be guilty, but the fact is not disputed that he introduced Johnson grass into this county and that should be sufficient to send any man to state's prison."

Professor Sanders was not credited with the vast amount of good he had accomplished as an expert naturalist for Fresno in introducing that pestiferous weed of all sorts of trees—the *Carolina poplar* and various varieties of useful fruit and ornamental trees, shrubs and plants, all of which pass for naught when the ravages of Johnson grass moves the disgusted agriculturalist to heartless oblation.

Various experiments have been made with the view of finding a remedy that would destroy this pestiferous species of evergreen millet, with little or no success. Now comes W. L. Ericson with a dead shot which he claims will utterly destroy both Johnson and Bermuda grass, which is at least worth the price of the formula. The proportions of the formula are one pound of arsenic and three pounds of soda dissolved thoroughly in ten gallons of water. Then sprinkle until the grass is wet about like a heavy dew. If not too rankly set the second application, he claims will kill every bit of it. A third application will destroy the very worst cases of either of these pestiferous pests.

This is a simple remedy should it prove efficacious since arsenic, in large quantities, may be had for a bit a pound and soda at less than five cents, while the water, even in this hot and arid climate, is not so scarce. It has not advanced materially in the local market. Local vineyardists might give this formula a fair trial, for if it will do what is claimed for it, there is scarcely a limit to its value. If such experiments shall be thoroughly and intelligently made, the Republican will be pleased to receive reports of the results obtained.

THE FRESNO GUN CLUB.

Meeting to be Held Next Friday Night.

A special meeting of the Fresno Sportman's Club was held at the office of Justice St. John last Friday night to discuss the matter of reorganization.

After conference it was decided to terminate the existence of the present organization for reasons satisfactory to the members of the club and to reorganize in the form of a more independent organization under the name and style of the Fresno Gun Club.

A committee was appointed to formulate a constitution and by-laws to be submitted for adoption at a meeting to be held in Justice St. John's court room next Friday evening. Much interest is taken in the matter and it is believed that this new departure will increase the interest of local sportsmen to the organization and prove eminently satisfactory to all concerned.

AT THE PLAY.

The Spickett Company in "The Three Hates."

"The Three Hates" did not prove a big drawing card for the Spickett company at the Barton opera house last night, there being but a small attendance present for a Saturday night's performance.

The title of the play was in itself almost enough to condemn the piece. It was played here but a short time ago under an entirely different name. It is a farce comedy, considerably more than it is a play, and very laughable when well played, but it needs to go with more wit and dash than the Spickett company gave it. In such plays there should not be any name-dropping or dainty at critical times, but on the contrary everyone should know his or her lines thoroughly and so play them as to make the audience forget the names of the company did last night.

The most of the fun-making was done by Frank De Camp as Sam Selwyn and Frank Fanning as Fred Bellamy, who were particularly good in those parts, and who managed to keep the audience pretty well amused. Ray Courtney made a very charming little boy in the small part of Dibs. Francis Boggs perhaps did the best bit of comedy work of the performance in a impersonation of Louis Blithers.

Lillian Howard as Mrs. Selwyn was better than she has been in anything we have seen here.

Sue Blanchard as Grace Selwyn and Neal Hogg as Lottie Blithers acted creditably.

Tonight "Don Cesar de Bazan" will be the bill and it will carry for the full strength of the company. With tonight's performance the Spickett company's engagement will terminate and on Monday evening "The Girl From Paris" will be presented by Rice's big extravaganza company.

Rice is always up-to-date and, if anything, is sometimes a little ahead of time. If this production is anything like "Excelsior" and some of his other musical comedies it will be well worth seeing.

Keep Off the Grass.

A denizen of Shelbyville of Corsican descent has issued his edict, to trespassers in the following blood-curdling notation:

No. Chianso. Allowed.
Long. Shi. My Fence.
I take You.
No. More.
Ord.
Farruccu tegmentoni.

Notice.

Having increased our trade on Oscar Pappas very materially we have of late been buying these goods in large quantities, thereby receiving the benefit of extra discounts which we give our patrons the benefit of.

Our regular price for Oscar Pappas has been reduced from \$1.50 to \$1.25. On Friday and Saturday the 18th and 19th inst. in special sale we shall sell Oscar at 85c per bottle. Remember, two days only.

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Allen's Foot-Powder, a powder for the feet. It cures painful, swollen, sore, itching feet and instantly takes the sting out of corns and bunions. It's the greatest comfort discovery of the new Allen's Foot-Powder. It is a certain cure for itching, chafing, and all other foot troubles. Sold by all druggists and shoe stores. By mail for 25c in stamps. Trial package free. Address, Allen S. Olmsted, LeRoy, N.Y.

"Thoughts Best Kept Unsaid."

"John," said Mrs. Yemphure, "do you always tell me all your thoughts?" "Well, nearly always," John replied. "She gave him a frightened and exclaiming, 'Nearly always? Oh, John, then you have some thoughts that you don't tell me?'"

"Yes, dear," said he, attempting to put an arm round her. "There are some that I think it best not to tell you."

"Oh, and I thought you were so honest!" "They are there," she tragically declared.

"That's all right," he musedly said, "that's all right when I am sharing."

—Parson's Weekly.

Winner Either Way.

"Young man," said the multibillionaire, "there are two ways of getting without my knowledge and to an account."

"Such a matter, sir, is one in which I do not think that even a father should be a judge."

"But you never earned a penny in your life. Supposing I publicly ran over you?"

"All right, sir. The more you publicly run over me, the more you advertise my wife." —Strand Magazine.

How to Remember History.

Teacher—With whom did Achilles fight at the battle of Troy?
Pupil—Paris.
Teacher—Paris?
Pupil—Paris.
Teacher—Paris?
Pupil—Paris.

"Then it must have been Hector. I know it was one of our three dogs."

—London Fun.

For Coughs, Croup, Sore Throat, Hoarseness, Cold in Head.

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Go East Sensibly.

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